



A meeting of the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) board of directors was held on **Thursday, August 24th, 2023**, from 8:42 am to 9:30 am at 111 S. 7th Street. The following minutes were created by Christy George, Downtown Liaison.

Call to Order: President, Ron Barbosa called the meeting to order at 8:42 am.

Roll call: The CID meeting was held at 111 South 7th Street. Ron Barbosa, Bobbie Jo Hausman, Brett Carolus, Joe Houts and Teresa Fankhauser were present. Absent: John Spencer, and Pat Dillion.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: ***Teresa made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as amended, Joe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report; given by Ron: Joe gave a review of the financial reports, and a copy of these reports will be kept on file in accordance with the retention requirements.

***Motion made by Teresa to approve the financial report, and claims. Motion seconded by Bobbie Jo; motion approved unanimously.

Election of Directors: Ron Barbosa and Brett Carolus's CID board terms are set to expire effective on September 6, 2023. ***Joe made a motion to elect the following slate of officers Ron Barbosa and Brett Carolus to another four-year term on the board. Motion seconded by Bobbie Jo; motion carried unanimously.

Tax Levy: Christy informed the board that the tax levy for this year has been set at .4989 which is up from last year's rate of .4680. Christy advertised a public notice in the St. Joseph News-Press so that the tax could be voted on. ***Joe made a motion to approve the new rate, Bobbie Jo seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Trash Can Request: Christy informed the board that Jessica Bledsoe from Evolve Studio requested a trash can on her block and that another one on Edmond next to all the new business would be beneficial. ***Teresa made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 new trash cans, Joe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Christy will also be looking into the chains that connect the lids to the cans to determine if replacements are necessary.

Grant Requests:

Community Alliance of St. Joseph: The board requested a Special Meeting with Tama Wagner and Greg Hatten to further discuss the grant request.

Mosaic Life Care Foundation: ***Motion made by Teresa with the Grant Committee to approve \$5,000 for the Mosaic Life Care Foundation Ignite fundraiser. Bobbie Jo seconded the motion. Joe abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Grant Updates:

- **St. Joe Parks Virtual Walking Tour:** - \$2,150 Estimated date of completion August 2024.
- **DTA - Digital Screens/Directors Contract:** The Downtown Association has installed 9 of the 16 digital screens. The Directors Contract was submitted and a check for the first payment of \$10,000 toward the one-time grant request of \$20,000 for their new Director was issued. The remaining \$10,000 will be issued in September 2023 if the employment agreement is still in effect.
- **Schweetz Soda Fountain:** They are having trouble finding a plumber that can work on the fountain.
- **MO Theatre:** Work on the MO theatre sign has been completed. Once paid receipts are submitted, a check will be issued.
- **504 Edmond:** They are working toward their occupancy certificate.
- **Trail Theatre:** A Certificate of Occupancy has been submitted, and a check was mailed. Christy will set up a time for the “Big Check” picture.
- **200 S. 8th Street:** Waiting for an updated grant request, splitting up the cost into 2 businesses.

Other Business:

Certificate of Deposit: Christy will call on several banks to investigate CD rates.

Main Street St. Joseph’s Community Input Session: Christy encouraged the board to attend the Community Input Session scheduled for Sat. September 2nd in the gazebo.

New Police Chief: Christy will invite Chief Luster to the September CID board meeting.

Cigarette Recycling Canisters: Christy let the board know that we received 6-cigarette recycling canisters and pavement decals to encourage the use of the canisters. She will be working with the downtown community to find the best locations to install them. (The pavement stickers were approved and paid for through the River Bluff Gateway grant)

Adjourn: President, Ron Barbosa ended the meeting at 9:30 am.